

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, August 31st, 1885

A meeting of the City Council was held last night. Present: Mayor Becher, Alds. Taylor, Green, O'Meara, Cowan, Kingston, Browne, Hook, Hodgins, Christie, Stringer, Watson, Toll, Lilley, Scarrow and Gardiner. Anticipating some lively discussion over Fair Ground matters, a large audience were present.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From the Massey Manufacturing Company, per Boake & Judd—Asking the Council to reconsider their decision assessing their goods. No. 1.

From Sarah Burdick—For remission of taxes. No. 1.

From A. Isaacs—Inclosing a motion passed by the late London East Council, recommending the London East officials to any vacant posts. Received and filed for reference.

From Joseph E. Innison—For position of engineer at the hospital. No. 3.

From T. R. Parker—Enclosing a copy of a resolution passed at the public meeting in the City Hall demanding arbitration upon the price of any lands purchased for Fair purposes. Filed.

Ald. Cowan thought it would be an insult and moved that the communication of Mr. Parker be filed. Carried.

From James Charles—Asking permission to use telephone post to advertise his barber shop upon. No. 2.

From J. M. Cousins—Offering to buy any trees that should be cut down in Queen's Park.

Ald. Scarrow moved that the communication of Mr. Cousins be filed. Seconded by Ald. Green. Carried.

From Edward Hickey—For remission of taxes. No. 1.

From the members of the Horton Street Baptist Church—Asking for the use of the City Hall on Sept. 24. Granted.

Applications for the position of caretaker of Queen's Park were received from Daniel McNeal, John Tiernay, John McMullen and Jos. Ley. Laid over. Filed.

Petition from Oliver McClary and others for a tile drain on St. James street. No. 2.

From Donald McIntyre—Asking for assistance in supporting an orphan deaf and dumb child. Referred to the Relief Officer.

From the County of Middlesex—Asking the city to appoint a committee to meet a county committee to readjust the rate rendered necessary by the amalgamation of the city and London East. No. 1.

From James Grisman—Claiming damages by water flowing into his premises. No. 2.

From Mary Kehoe—For remission of taxes. No. 1.

From Mr. J. H. Flock—Enclosing a communication published last week, stating that streets would have to be carried through Carling's farm. Also an opinion upon the claims advanced by the City Solicitor, who stated that the streets in the registered plan were public highways and could not be closed, but that a judge, after hearing all parties could close the streets upon such terms as he might find expedient. Also that a majority of the votes cast would not bind the city to purchase the site for which such votes were cast, and that the question of title need not now be considered on the voting.

From E. Walker—Explaining his large account for the banquet to the 7th Fusiliers, and demanding its payment in full. No. 1.

From Mrs. Payne—Asking for the transfer of a lease to Mrs. Luscomb. No. 1 with power.

Copy of the resolution passed at the last meeting of London East Council re the paying of the water rate of the Ontario Car Works by the city. Referred to No. 3.

From Mrs. A. F. Lyster, asking for assistance in collecting mortuary statistics. Referred to the Board of Health.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Squire Jarvis was heard upon a request for a proper place to hold Division Court in.

Moved by Ald. Kingston, seconded by Ald. Green, that the next sitting of the Eastern Division Court be held in the old London East Town Hall, and the following sittings in the Courthouse. Carried.

REPORT OF NUMBER TWO COMMITTEE.

By Ald. Taylor, chairman: 1. That Nicholas Pollard be appointed caretaker of Queen's Park. 2. That the hitching post in front of Elizabeth Lloyd's store be allowed to remain. 3. That the tender of Summers & Co. for the construction of a tile drain on Simcoe and Horton streets—Simcoe street, \$331, Horton street, \$312; man holes, \$20;